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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 3rd-June, through Sunday, 10th-June, there were 213 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JT, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OZ, P2, P4, P5, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZL, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A, S.M.O.M. (Press Release #1)

"Thirty years have passed since 1A made its way onto the DXCC list. And an

activation by an International team looks to celebrate the uniqueness of this event. So, from the 1st to the 4th July, we will listen them on the air as 1A0C from Santa Maria del Priorato, home of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta. The callsign that will be used belongs to the 'The Order of Malta's Italian Relief Corps (CISOM)", an organization specialized in bringing assistance and relief during emergencies. This underscores the dual value of this activation. On the one hand, there's the fun side ham radio, giving a not so easy 'new one' to as many stations as possible (especially from the U.S. and Japan). On the other hand, however, there's the noble goal, as often seen in ham radio, where a spirit of cooperation and mutual aid are shared by operators all over the world. The team's aim, in fact, is to raise funds thanks to donations and contributions from QSL requests in order to buy radio equipment which The Order of Malta's Italian Relief Corps volunteers will be able to use in case of emergencies.

The operators list includes: 1A0X, 1A0Z, EA2RY, EA5RM, EA7AJR, EA7KW, F5CWU, IN3ZNR, IT9YVO, IZ8IYX, PB2T, SP3DOI and KH6CG as a pilot for North America and Pacific. They will be active on HF+6m and the QSLs for contacts with 1A0C can be requested via Francesco Cozzi, 1A0Z. A website will be online soon, stay tuned! 73 de 1A0C"

2012 TOPBAND MOST WANTED SURVEY

This annual survey of 160 Meter DX needs is taken by Garry/NI6T and Larry/K8UT and is now available online at:

http://survey.hamdocs.com/?sid=11389

Please submit your needs list between now and August 31, 2012. Modifications submitted after August 31, 2012, will be used for the following year's survey. The results for 2012-2013 will be available in September 2012. A link to the 2011 Topband Most Wanted Survey results is available at:

http://www.k8ut.com/tiki-list_file_gallery.php?galleryId=12

5H, TANZANIA

Just a reminder that Chas, NK8O/VE3ISD, has traveled to Mwanza on Lake Victoria for several years working there but has never operated any amateur radio from Tanzania. Look for him for the first time to operate as 5H9CP between June 11-22nd. Chas states,

> "I am primarily a CW operator. QRP and straight key operators, please be ready! After fighting through pile-ups with my QRP station at home, I understand the challenges. The rig on this trip will be an Elecraft KX3 and antenna arrays will depend on the trees, how high I can get the ropes to go, and whether a dipole, loop, or vertical will be the best for the site from which I choose to operate. Times and frequencies will be published [QRZ.com] before my departure for Tanzania, but they definitely will not be written in stone. Operating times will depend entirely on my responsibilities and schedule at the Nyakato Health Center."

QSL via NK8O.

9K2, KUWAIT (Special Event)

Members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society will be active with the special callsign,

9K2KCBB, between June 13-15th. Activity is to celebrate "World Blood Donor Day" which is held on June 14th every year. See

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Blood_Donor_Day
or
http://www.who.int/worldblooddonorday/en/

Activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to 9K2RA.

A5, BHUTAN

The members of the FGC DX Group (Foundation for Global Children) are now QRT as A5A. The ClubLog shows as of 2308z, June 6th, the A5A team made 38068 QSOs with 14819 unique callsigns (20879/CW and 17189/SSB). Breakdown is: 337/AF, 6954/AS, 25273/EU, 4929/NA, 309/OC and 266/SA. QSL A5A via JH1AJT (see Web page for details). For more details and update, visit the A5A Web apge at:

http://bhutan2012.com/index.php

A5, BHUTAN

Just a reminder (in case you did not work the A5A operation) that a JA team of operators are now active from a hotel (altitude 10,000 ft.) in Thimpu between now June 14th. Operators mentioned with their A5 callsigns are Shigeo/JA1JQY (A52JY), Nakayama/JA1KJW (A52KJ), Kaoru/ JA3MCA (A52MA), Akira/JK1EBA (A52BA) and Kunio/JA8VE (A52VE). Activity will be on 160-6 meters [with an emphasis on 6 meters] using CW, SSB and RTTY. A beacon will be on 50.125 MHz. QSL via their home callsigns.

DXCC NEWS

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:

XX9E - Macao; 2012 Operation

DXER ARRESTED IN GREECE UPDATE!

Amateur Radio Newsline™ reported an update this week, and that well-known DXer/World-Traveller Baldur Drobnika, DJ6SI, stated that

> "I wasn't charged with espionage. As a reason of my arrest it was stated that:
> 1. I performed radio traffic without the approval of the Greek authorities;
> 2. I owned transmitting equipment which enabled the reception of other frequencies;
> To the accusation was later added an other point: I hindered the visualiza- tion of the content of my notebook."

Kostas, SV1DPI, also reported an update on June 9th, stating [edited]:

> "According to the RAAG's site, the Court decided yesterday (June 8th) that Baldur is innocent for the first accuse (operating his rig). According to the Court for the 2nd accuse (destroy of his computer and possible evidence of his activity), he was guilty. This second case will be examined again in the future, and I hope they get

the right decision in the future. Baldur was, of course, in Germany (he left after the first judge) and only his lawyer was at the Court. My opinion is that what happened was by mistake in an island (Kos) very close to Turkey (the 2 coasts are only some meters far) where the Authorities were too suspicious... When Greek or foreign hams ask for special calls from the Islands which are too close to our borders, the Navy has been asked for approval. If Greece would like to have this policy for some of the islands, it should have signed the CEPT with the exception of these islands but we didn't. So everyone should have better knowledge of the laws and stop asking these papers in general because it has no sense. But unfortunately it seems that we have more important things to do during this time frame... All SV hams, we ask from Baldur to forgive our country for the bad behavior..."

EFC 2012 ON THE AIR

Look for many stations (and we do mean many - too many to list) from the Ukraine and Poland to be active during the "European Football Championship 2012" between now and July 5th. The on-the-air activity by Polish and Ukrainian amateurs that are affiliated with PZK and UARL will have numerous special event stations using the special prefixes:

Polish - 3Z2012, HF2012 and SN2012
Ukrainian - EM2012, EN2012 and EO2012.

The complete list of callsign can be found at:

http://sq2rh.idsl.pl/efc/index_en.php?go=4

They will be operating concurrently with the 2012 European Football Championship, which this year is organized jointly by Poland and Ukraine. More detailed information about their activities can be found on the "EFC 2012 on the AIR" Web site at:

http://efc2012.pzk.org.pl

Activity will be on all the amateur bands. There are two awards which can be earned during this period, as well as many interesting QSL cards and prizes.

IOTA NEWS

AN-013. Henry, LU4DXU, reports that Juan Manuel, LU4ZS, is currently based and active from the Argentine Marambio station on **Seymour Island**. Activity has been on 80 and 40 meters, usually working his fellow Argentine stations. QSL via LU4DXU.

AS-008. Look for JA2MET to be active as JA2MET/1 from **Mikura-jima, North Izu Islands** (WW Loc. PM93TU), in the Philippine Sea and the Miyake Subprefecture of Tokyo Metropolis, between June 26th and July 1st. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. Mikura-jima is also within the boundaries of the Fuji- Hakone-Izu National Park (WFF JAFF-009). QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

AS-147. Taka, JA8COE, will be active as homecall/8 from **Yagishiri Island** between June 16-19th. Activity will be on the 40/20/17/15 meters using SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-032. Tim, ON5HC, will be active as F/OO5C/P from **Ile d'Oleron** during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ Low-Power/SSB entry. QSL via ON5HC.

EU-038. Ray, PE1GUR, will be active as PA6FUN from **Ameland Island** (WLOTA 1059, WW Loc. JO23VK) between July 30th and August 15th. Activity will be on 6 meters only (Watch

Es, Ms and Tropo). QSL via PE1GUR, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-044/
EU-139. Operators Waldi/SP7IDX and Mek/SP7VC will be active as LA/SP7IDX and LA/SP7VC from **Mageroya Island** (WW Locator KQ21VC) between June 20-29th. They plan to have 2 stations on the air - One on the HF bands and the second on 6 meters. Operations will be on 80-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. They will also be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Their equipment consist of a IC-746, TS480sat, w/Heil headsetHC6, and amps for HF and 6m, with the following antennas - HEX-BEAM by SP7IDX TECHNOLOGY 20-10m, R-7 vertical 20-10m, 6 element yagi for 6m and 2x Inverted L for 80-40m.,PA for HF and 6m. The software is Win-Test sending QSOs to Clublog in real time and Mixw. During their travel to Mageroya Island, there is a possibility to activate **Seskaro Island (EU-139)** in the evening or at night of June 19th and the next day June 20th, during the morning. The QTH WW Locator is KP15VR and callsigns will be SM/SP7VC and SM/SP7IDX. QSL via their home callsigns. The log will be uploaded in LoTW. For more info, see:

http://sp7idx-hexbeam.eu
http://www.sp7vc.pl

EU-045. Operators Antonio/IZ8IQL, Giorgio/IZ8FAV, Sal/IZ8GGF, Carlo/ IZ0EGC, Giuseppe/IZ0GZW and Gianni/IW0BTN will be active as IB0F from **Ponza Island** (IIA LT-001, MIA MI-076, WLOTA 1395) in the Tyrrhenian Sea between July 23-31st. They will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL information TBA. Watch **(QRZ.com)**.

EU-056. Operators Glenn/LA8XRA and Trond/LA9VDA will be active as LA6Q from **Little Sandøy Island** between August 13-17th. This will be a first activation of the Sandøy Lighthouse (WLOTA LH-2769). Activity will be on the 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via LA9VDA, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail requests for Bureau cards can be sent to: la9vda [at] gmail dot com). Trond states, "Thanks to W5BXX Dave for sponsoring us."

EU-079. Operators Glenn/LA8XRA and Trond/LA9VDA will be active as LA6Q from **Jønsholmen (Jonsholmen) Island** between August 10-13th. Activity will be on the 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. If they have time, he will make side trips to Dimna Island (EU-079, WLOTA 2438) and **Nerlandsøy Island (EU-079**, WLOTA 2193). QSL via LA9VDA, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail requests for Bureau cards can be sent to: la9vda [at] gmail dot com). Trond states, "Thanks to W5BXX Dave for sponsoring us."

EU-158. (Update) Operators Mike/SV1RK, Stavros/SV3CJU, Costas/SV1AER and Gabriel/SV1GSV were expected to be active from **Sapienza Island** (LH GRE116, WLOTA 1471, WW LOC KM06US) as J48SAI between June 8-10th. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via LoTW or via SV1RK, by the Bureau or direct.

NA-067. Nathan, N4YDU, will be active as W4O from **Ocracoke Island** between 2300z July 26th, and 1200z July 29th. He plans to be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via N4YDU - Direct Only.

OC-128. Dandy, K6ZRH/DU1IMA, will be active as K6ZRH/DU1 from Palawan Island

(WLOTA 1612) between June 10-30th. Activity will be on 40/20/15 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct only. **OC-170**. (Op Needed!) members of the West OZ DX Group are planning a visit to **Woody Island** this year. The group is looking for keen operators to join them. The visit will likely occur in the southern spring, leaving Perth on a Thursday and returning on a Tuesday. If you are interested, please contact them at:

Webmaster@westozdx.net

For update, watch:

http://www.westozdx.net

SA-037. To celebrate Venezuelan Navy Day, members of the Grupo DX Caracas will be active as YW5B from **La Blanquilla Island** between July 11-16th. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, Satellites, FM and the Digital modes. QSL manager TBA.

J3, GRENADA (Is Still On!)

Terry, KS5Z, is planning a 7 day stay in Grenada with the guidance of Harry, AC8G, for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). Interested operators should contact Terry via his E-mail address **ks5z@arrl.net** for additional information.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 11-17th)

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Jun/11th  AN      Jun/14th  AN      Jun/16th  AN
Jun/12th  AN      Jun/15th  AN      Jun/17th  HN
Jun/13th  AN

  SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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   NORMALITY                GEOMAG       K Values    Alpha
  -----------------         ------       --------    ------
  AN  - Above Normal        Quiet        K=0-1       0-7
  HN  - High Normal         Unsettled    K=2         8-15
  LN  - Low Normal          Active       K=3         16-29
  BN  - Below Normal        Minor Storm  K=4         30-49
  DIS - Disturbed           Major Storm  K=5         50-99
  VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9        100-400
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KH6, HAWAII

The Hawaii IOTA Club (KH6RRC) was born to explore and operate from "New-One IOTA" islands in Hawaii. Founding members are David/AH6HY, Merle/K5MT, Yuri/N3QQ, Dick/N7RO and Lanny/W5BOS. They welcome participation from interested parties in their planned expeditions and state, "73 and CU soon from KH6!". They provide a map on **(QRZ.com)** of all the Hawaiian archipelago, and also mention that the Papahanaumokua'kea Marine national monument spans the archipelago from Nihoa to Kure Atoll, it is one of the largest Marine Protected Areas in the world.

NEW AWARD FOR DXPEDITIONS

Dave, AA6YQ, reports [edited]: "The Cass Award encourages DXpeditions to maximize the number of DXers they work by annually presenting a 1000 USDs prize to the single-operator DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns within a 4-week interval. This award is named in honor of Cass, WA6AUD (SK), whose stories in the West Coast DX Bulletin taught a generation of DXers, that "DX IS"! The winner of the 2012 Cass Award will be announced in

March 2013.

An 'unlimited' award category with a larger prize is under development for introduction in 2013. If you'd like to pledge a contribution, send E-mail to **Contribution@CassAward.com** To learn more, visit the Cass Award Web site at:

http://www.CassAward.com

OG0/OH0, ALAND ISLANDS

Look for the following operators and callsigns to be active from Aland Islands during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th):

OG0Z - Raimo, OH3BHL, as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via W0MM.
OH0Z - Juha, OH9MM, as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via W0MM.
OH0I - Marko, OH8KVY, as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via OH3BHL.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

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QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated June 10th)
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3Z0LH via SP1PBW            EG4ANA via EA4AUG         R1150TV via R3ID
5B/KC9UUS via KC9UUS        EH7MCB via EB7CVL         SF0530COH via SM0PSO
9A209T via 9A9T             EM4IFF via US5IQ          SF2BRN via SA2BRN
A52BA via JK1EBA            EN2012LTX via UR4LTX      SN0WFF via SP5X
A52VE via JF1OCQ            HA/DL2GK via DL2GK        SN755BLONIE via SP5KOG
AY8A via LU8ADX             HG3R via HA3NU            SV/OE2KMM via OE2KMM
CR6BWU via CT1BWU           IF9/IK4YCQ via IK4YCQ     SV8/PD0ARI via PD0ARI
CT8/DK7LX via DK7LX         II9AS via IT9JPW          SX135HRC via SV1EOS
DA0LSW via DM3ZF            J48SAI via SV1RK          TM5BBC via F2UW
EA2/DL6ZFG/P via DL6ZFG     KP4BD via NP3O            UA4M via RN4LP
EA5/ON4CAU/P via ON4CAU     LS1D via AC7DX            V31IZ via JO1CRA
EA5HJY via EA7HBC           LZ7S via LZ2HM            YO3KIA via YO3JR
EA6/DK5IR via DK5IR         LZ8E via LZ2BE            YP0CD via YO5BFJ
ED3CW via EB3CW             M3W via G4FAL             YP1WFF via YO3JW
ED5ATK via EA5ATK           OG1M via OH1VR            YT2R via YU1AU
ED5FL via EA5FL             OG8N via OH6CT            YU0T via YU1WS
ED5HAB via EA5HAB           OJ0MC via OH6MC           ZP7/JE1LGY via JE1LGY
ED5JC via EC5JC             R3GOFF via R3GO           ZQ2FX via G3RFX
ED5KB via EA5KB             R55EPC via R9CBA          ZZ190GOB via PT2OP
ED8DD via EA8DD             R73EPC via RK3DSW
EG2DSF via EA2DGP           R73GGGR via UA6MM
            (d) direct only   (B) Bureau only  (L) LoTW
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NEW MANAGER. Ron, AC7DX, is now the QSL Manager for **LS1D** effective June 4th, 2012.

V26E LOGS ON LOTW. Darrell, AB2E (V26E), informs OPDX,

> "Just a note to DXers, anyone who worked me for my end of May trip as V26E should be able to find their QSLs in LoTW. I uploaded 5500+ QSOs today (both general and contest QSOs), and already I see over 700 QSO matches. Congratulations especially to 5 of the stations I worked w/100 watts on 6M who show QSLed on LoTW. Of course, as always, any non-US stations desiring a

regular QSL should send an SAE w/new IRC or 2 USDs for an immediate response (USA stations SASE is fine)."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 7O6T, DH4JQ, J37T, KH7Y, MU0FAL, OK1DX, PJ4C, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PR2X, PY2NZ, TG7WW, VK2DX, VP5/KE1B, VP5/NE7D, XU7ACY and YV5OIE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3C0E, 3C6A, 3D2R, 3W2BB, 5N7M, 5V7V, 6H6IARU, C31CT, A35YZ, FW0NAP/P, FW0NAR, HK0NA, KG4WV, T88RF, TL0CW, V31WW, V73NS and ZA20QA

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B9/G3TXF, 4K9W, 5R8HL, 9Q1EK, 9X0R, A6/DL9WVM, CT9/DL3KWR, DK4PL, DL1CA, DL7VKD, DL8LRZ/P, DL9GR, E44M, EA1CDV, EA8AOP, EK6TA, FJ/SM5FUG, FO0PT, FY/G3TXF, GM3MZX, HB9MGS, HC/SM6FKF, HD2M, IK8HJG, IN3NJB, IS0OFC, IZ0FVH, IZ0MQN, J73CCM, JA1KEV, JA4DND, JA5PJ, JA6ATL, JG2AJK, JH1BBS, JH3LSS, KB1SUA, KC0BMF, ON3LA, P29VCX, P29VLR, S59SV, SA4BFH, SV5/DJ5AA/P, T30AQ, T6MB, UX5IO, VU2ATV and WA3WZR

RUSSIAN IOTA, ARCTIC STATION, RRA and RFF OP

Operators Victor, RW0BG (RRC #869), and Igor Petlin, plan to travel along the Yenisei River to the North on the Yenisei River from Dudinka. They will start from Talnah in early July. Scheduled stops on the islands of the Yenisei River for the "Russian Robinson" program are: Kazan Island (RR-06-32), Mininskie Island (RR-06-33), Nikandrovskie Island (RR-06-34), Deryabinskie Island (RR-06-35) and the Island of Golchikha (RR-06-36). It is also planned to stop at the existing Sopochnaya hag Polar Station. Interest in the polar stations on the air is always great. The second phase of the expedition is the Kara Sea. They are planning to stop at Deer Islands (RR-06-06) and Shokalski (RR-06-05, IOTA **AS-083**, Gydansky Reserve RFF-030). If they have time, they will also work in the RSGB IOTA Contest. The third stage of their expedition is Ob Bay, and possibly stopping on the islands in the IOTA group **AS-109**; which they have not yet decided. Further possible stop in the Ob Bay are Chulym to Achinsk, moving to the city of Krasnoyarsk on a vehicle (~ 160 km). The final stage on the river Yenisey is a possible stop for a short activity at the Biosphere Reserve Tsentralnosibirsky (RFF-096) to Dudinka, then return in Talnakh.

SV9, CRETE

Luc, ON6DSL, will be active as SV9/ON6DSL/P from the **Island of CRETE (EU-015)** between August 27th and September 3rd. Activity will be a holiday style, a SOTA portable and SSB only operations, and using a FT817ND w/5w QRP into a multiband dipole. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the UBA Bureau.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS

Steve, G3ZVW (aka ZD8N and AF6SU), is now active as V73/AF6SU from the V73AX Kwajalein Amateur Radio Club (KARC) station on Kwajalein Island. Activity has been mainly on 20 meters CW. QSL via G3ZVW, direct or by the RSGB QSL Bureau. PLEASE - Do not send your cards via the U.S. callsign or address!

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS

Chuck, W4XP, will be active as VQ9XP from the VQ9X club station on **Diego Garcia (AF-006)** between August 9-25th. Activity will be limited to his spare time with a focus on 6 meters and some HF (160-10m) operations. QSL via his home callsign, direct or LoTW.

W3, UNITED STATES (Special Callsign)

The Montgomery County (Maryland) Amateur Radio Club (MARC) will use the special callsign W3M during its Field Day operations on July 23-24th. The operation will take place from Davis Airport in northern Montgomery County, MD (FM19kf).

W9DXCC CONVENTION

Jim, N7US, reports: "The Northern Illinois DX Associ- ation invites you to join us at the 60th annual W9DXCC DX convention, to be held Friday and Saturday, September 14th and 15th, at the Holiday Inn in Elk Grove Village, IL.

New this year is a four session class, 'DXing from the Black Hole', preceding the convention, from 1-5 PM on Friday. Targeting beginning DXers, each session will cover a different aspect of DXing, including operating practices, station design, chasing awards, QSLing, and pro- pagation from the Black Hole.

The convention kicks off at 7:30 Friday evening with registration/ packet pick-up and an open bar, followed by a hospitality suite hosted by the Northern Illinois DX Association at 10 PM. Registration on Saturday starts at 8 AM, followed by the program at 9 AM.

Program highlights include HK0NA Malpelo Island by W0GJ, T32C Christmas Island by G3SVL, K9AJ's IOTA update, and propagation by K9LA. The CW copying contest is at 5 PM, followed by a reception and the banquet at 6:30 featuring noted DXer and contester Fred Laun, K3ZO. The audio/visual setup is top notch, making it easy to see and hear the programs.

A hospitality suite hosted by the Greater Milwaukee DX Association is at 10 PM.

The Holiday Inn is conveniently located just west of O'Hare Inter- national Airport and just off Interstate 90. The hotel offers a free airport shuttle and low room rates.

Complete convention details are available on the Web site at:

http://www.w9dxcc.com

NOTE: We will NOT be mailing flyers and registration forms this year. Please save a copy of this E-mail and register on the Web site. You can pay by check or PayPal for your convenience. Discounts will be available for those signing up for both the class and the convention and for registrations received by September 6th. We look forward to seeing you."

** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER **

The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number.
Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number:
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